

Answered.

West Newton Sept 10/77

My Friend Garrison.

26. I am glad to hear of your safe return, with I hope a strengthened body, by your recreation. Your life, has been, I think, a serious one, with but little recreation. Mine has been such, for more than 20 years, until 25th old, it was very vigorous, with exuberant elasticity, full of fun; about that time I joined the church, when my ideas as to the future of man, & my then present duties to mankind in view of their future, had a decided effect to make me regard recreation as a loss of time, and enjoinous to myself & to the world thro' me. Your life, I judge to have been about the same as mine —

In the past 2 months

I have been following in your foot
steps - that is in lameness, but am
improving, and intend to call upon
you before I return (last of this month
& I shall feel strong enough to mount
your hill. Should be pleased to see
you here, if you shall have spare
time, and feel drawn this way

Your Friend

William Greer